

Field Trip Minutes
Yurok Environmental Monitoring Workgroup
Simpson Timber Company – Arcata Redwood Office, Orick
April 15, 2000

Participants:

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Lori Harder, Yurok Tribe
Linda Roberts, Yurok Tribe
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Ex officio:

John Pricer, Simpson Timber Company
Pam Wofford, DPR
Nina Bacey, DPR
Karen Wiese, Botanist
Richard Currie, DPR - Worker, Health and Safety
Annie Yates, U.S. EPA

The participants met at the Simpson Timber Company office at about 10:20 am. **John Pricer** handed out maps detailing the application sites in the Hunter Creek and Terwer Creek areas. Pam explained that the purpose of the trip was to view herbicide application areas and select monitoring sites (for spring and fall plant monitoring), determine plant species within these areas that are used by local tribes, and select plants to develop analytical methods for sampling next fall.

We made our first stop about 4 miles up Hunter Creek Road adjacent to a planned application area. The group proceeded up Hunter Creek road to other application areas at a higher elevation. We made two stops to look at plants and discuss uses. A fourth stop was made at a burned area which will be sprayed this spring. **John** indicated that the applications in the fall will be in the same approximate areas as the application areas in the higher elevations. Pam pointed out that the plant sampling this spring will only include the maidenhair fern, willow, and beargrass which already have methods of analysis available.

Karen inspected the areas for plants and took some samples for later identification. A list of the plants is attached with the field trip minutes.

The plants selected for collection and analysis next fall were:

Oregon grape – roots, basketry (dye) use
Ground berries – berries, food use
Yarrow – leaves and stems, medicinal use
Manzanita – berries, food use
Plus continued sampling of maidenhair fern, beargrass, willow, tan oak acorns, and huckleberries.